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In the Specification:

Please amend paragraph 14 as follows:

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Whatever the precise merits, features and advantages of the above cited references, none of them achieve or fulfills the purposes of the present invention. Previous computer-based word processing programs appear limited to single occurrence checking of spelling. Although spelling and thesaurus checking are important, formatting rules are also vital in the inputting process. Forms, templates and documents such as those for billing can easily be entered incorrectly, even though the user's information never changes. Simple formatting mistakes, such as incorrect e-mail or wworld wweb addresses or errors made when writing programs can also be hard to find (such as leaving a simple parenthesis out). What is needed is a system that intelligently detects and selectively notifies the user of formatting errors existing over one or more entries.

Please amend paragraph 32 as follows:



Should the spelling of the input appear correct, the program analyzes the format (e.g., e-mail, date, number of characters,—e.g., driver's license) 226 of the input. The format 226 determines, for example, if the expected format for a specific entry on a form/template is used. If not, the program then follows a similar process of selecting a sound pattern 212, providing the selected sound pattern to the user 214, and offering a more suitable input possibility 216, which the user may accept or deny. In the form/template example, the sound is preferably made before or immediately after the user completes an entry, so as to allow correction without having to place the cursor back into the entry area.